

STATE EXHIBIT NO. 3

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March 4, 2004

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Office of Conservation Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana

RE:

Alternate Unit Well
Hayes B Zone, Reservoir C
MIDLAND FIELD
Acadia Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh,

Application is hereby made on behalf of Browning Oil Company, Inc., for the calling of a public hearing, after 10 days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matter relating to the above captioned zone, in the Midland Field, Acadia Parish, Louisiana:

Hayes B Zone, Reservoir C

- 1. To permit the operator of the unit, Browning Oil Company, Inc., to drill, designate, and utilize the Browning Oil Company, Inc., Baker No. 1 Well, as an alternate unit well for the Hayes B Zone Reservoir C.
- 2. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to this application.

The Hayes B Zone, Reservoir C, was previously defined in Department of Conservation Order 210-F-2, effective November 4, 2003.

All pertinent data, including well logs, may be obtained AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from W. H. Robbins & Associates, 140 Rue Beauregard, Lafayette, LA 70508; Phone (337) 232 5004.

A plats showing the unit and the proposed alternate unit well is attached hereto and made a part hereof. There is enclosed a list of names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties who are being forwarded this application and plat. Such lists are being forwarded ONLY to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, the list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties will be furnished by the undersigned to any party requesting a copy of it. This list includes the names and addresses of all Interested Parties who are known to the applicant, after reasonable search. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

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Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant, made payable to the Office of Conservation, in the amount of \$755, representing the required hearing fee.

Very truly yours,

W. H. Robbins and Associates

Enclosures

- cc. Mr. Richard Hudson Lafayette District Office of Conservation
- cc Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

